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FOR PREVENTING THE AUTOMATIC ACTIVATION OF THE PARKING BRAKE IN MOTOR VEHICLES

Petitioner, Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft, is the owner of 100 percent interest in the instant application. Petitioner hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of any patent granted based on patent application Serial No. 09/920,294 ('294 application). Petitioner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and any patent granted based on said '294 patent application are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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The undersigned attorney is empowered to act on behalf of the Petitioner organization.

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[X] Terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR 1.20(d) included.

[X] PTO suggested wording for terminal disclaimer was

[] unchanged, [X] * changed (if changed, an explanation should be supplied).

*To reflect related co-pending patent application rather than prior patent.